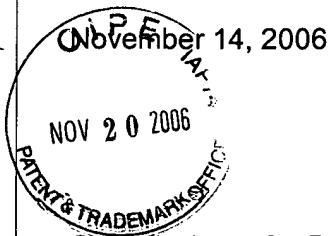


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METHOD FOR IDENTIFICATION, SEPARATION AND  
QUANTITATIVE MEASUREMENT OF NUCLEIC ACID  
FRAGMENTS  
Our Ref. No. 1392/18/7/2

Sir:

Please find enclosed in connection with the subject U.S. patent application the following documents:

1. An Amendment Transmittal Form;
2. An After Final Amendment F;
3. A Terminal Disclaimer to Obviate a Double Patenting Rejection (37 C.F.R. § 1.321));
4. A Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a);
5. A Check in the amount of \$1,150.00; and
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

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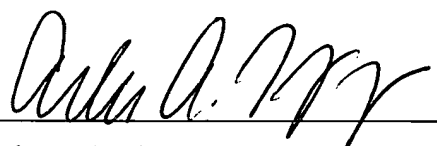
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